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- BUYING MISSION

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1. INVITATION-TO-BID NO. GF3-671406 JUST RECEIVED FROM
CENTRAL TRUST OF CHINA AS MENTIONED IN PARA 4 OF REFTTEL.
SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR 2 LETTER SORTING
MACHINES PRESCRIBED IN BID ARE SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS:

(1) MACHINE SPECIFICATIONS: MACHINE SHOULD BE DESIGNED
FOR SORTING WIDE VARIETY OF LETTER SIZE MAIL AND COMPOSED
OF FOLLOWING MAJOR ASSEMBLIES: CONSOLE CONSISTING OF A
KEYBOARD WITH CONTROL SWITCHES AND INDICATORS, A FEEDER OR
A MECHANICAL SYSTEM ALIGNING THE MAIL PIECE WITH AN
OPTICAL READING STATION AND A TRANSFER SECTION TO CARRY
EACH MAIL PIECE TO THE APPROPRIATE BIN, 100 BINS IN THE
BASIC CONFIGURATION, PRINTER AVAILABLE FOR PRINTING BIN
COUNTS AND MAIL VOLUME STATISTICS. IT SHOULD BE COMPUTER
(MICROPROCESSOR) CONTROLLED TO ALLOW MAIL SORTING
FLEXIBILITY ALONG WITH THE ABILITY TO GATHER MAIL FLOW
DATA. THE MACHINE STORES THE OPERATIONAL SORT SCHEME
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WHICH CAN BE CHANGED BY EITHER MANUALLY REPROGRAMMING
THROUGH KEYING INSTRUCTIONS INTO THE CONSOLE OR ON A
MUCH MORE RAPID BASIS BY INSERTING THE NEW PROGRAM THROUGH
A MAGNETIC TAPE CASSETTE. THE COMPUTER WILL COUNT THE
NUMBER OF PIECES OF MAIL TO ANY DESTINATION OR BIN, WHICH
DATA CAN THEN BE PRINTED OUT BY THE COMPUTER TO DETERMINE
MAIL DESTINATION STATISTICS. THE MACHINE IS EQUIPPED

WITH AN ALPHA/NUMERIC KEYBOARD CONTAINING THREE SPECIAL KEYS TO FURTHER SIMPLIFY THE OPERATION (THREE KEYS ARE "REJECT", "CLEAR", "REPEAT"). SORTING SPEED 5,000 PIECES/HOUR AND FEED RATE 4 PIECES/SECOND. MAIL PROCESSING CAPABILITY: WIDTH 90-150MM, LENGTH 120-290MM, THICKNESS 0.18-6MM, WEIGHT 3.5-50 GRAMS. INPUT CONVEYOR BELT ABOUT 1 METER IN LENGTH, AND FEED RATE 4 PIECES/SECOND. BIN SIZES NOT LESS THAN 160MM (W) X 300MM (H) X 300 (D). POWER REQUIREMENTS: 110 VOLTS 60 HZ A. C. SINGLE PHASE.

(2) SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: SUPPLIERS SHALL SUBMIT QUOTATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN FOB U.S. DOLLARS SEPARATELY - LETTER SORTING MACHINES 2 UNITS, SPARE PARTS FOR TWO YEAR USE (DETAILED PRICE LIST SHALL BE SUBMITTED), TESTING, ADJUSTING, PROGRAMMING AND INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE TRAINING, AND ONE YEAR MAINTENANCE WARRANTY. THE MACHINE SHALL BE DELIVERED WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS AFTER RECEIPT OF L/C. 90 PERCENT VALUE OF MACHINES AND PARTS SHOWN IN THE QUOTATION ITEMS 1 AND 2 WILL BE PAID AGAINST SHIPPING DOCUMENTS, WITH REST OF AMOUNT BE PAID AFTER SATISFACTORY ACCEPTANCE. THE MACHINE SHALL BE TESTED, ADJUSTED, PROGRAMMED AND INSTALLED IN GOOD WORKING ORDER WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER CUSTOMS CLEARANCE UPON ARRIVAL. IN EVENT CONTRACTOR UNABLE TO COMPLETE INSTALLATION WITHIN SPECIFIED PERIOD A PENALTY PAYMENT ON BASIS OF 0.1 PERCENT OF THE CONTRACT VALUE MUST BE PAID TO BUYER FOR EACH DAY'S UNCLASSIFIED

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DELAY. CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE MAINTENANCE TRAINING AT JOB-SITE FOR A PERIOD OF 12 WEEKS. TRAINING COURSE SHALL COVER ALL PHASES OF MAINTENANCE, TROUBLE-SHOOTING AND PARTS-REPLACING. SELECTION OF THE INSTRUCTOR AND PREPARATION OF TRAINING PROGRAM SHALL BE APPROVED BY BUYER. CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE 10 COPIES OF DETAILED TECHNICAL SERVICE MANUALS TO BUYER GRATIS. CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTENANCE OF MACHINES WITHIN A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS AFTER FORMAL ACCEPTANCE. PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE SHALL BE PERFORMED AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH. CONTRACTOR SHALL AGREE TO ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MACHINES UNDER THE CONTRACT UNTIL SATISFACTORY ACCEPTANCE BY BUYER. ANY DEFECTS IN MATERIALS AND WORKMANSHIP OF MACHINES WITHIN A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS AFTER ACCEPTANCE SHALL BE REPAIRED AND PARTS REPLACED FREE OF CHARGE BY CONTRACTOR.

2. EMBASSY REQUESTS COMMERCE TO TRANSMIT THIS INFORMATION TO INTERESTED U.S. FIRMS. BIDDING OPENING DATE SET AT JUNE 2. ALSO, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POSTS IS SENDING REPRESENTATIVE WITH BUYING MISSION TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH SUCCESSFUL BIDDER. SULLIVAN

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